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Recommendation for Assignment of [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]

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1. It is hereby recommended that [REDACTED] be assigned to [REDACTED] to fill the vacancy which will be created by the return of [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] is fluent in German. In addition to two years of high school German, he has had four years of college German as well as about one and a half years of graduate work in German under German Professors [REDACTED]. A substantial part of [REDACTED] research for his Ph.D. dissertation was in German. Beyond this, [REDACTED] was an Officer-in Charge of an interrogation of a POW team for two years [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] has had the nine months intensive Russian course offered by the Agency and has, therefore, a fair reading knowledge of the language.

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4. [REDACTED] has been with the Agency for over three years as an analyst. His recommendation for promotion from GS-12 to GS-13 was submitted to O/Ch/E in August 1956. He has applied for membership in the Career Service. While his experience in ORR has been directly related to the work of I/WA, he has the breadth which would permit him to represent ORR interests well. In the fiscal year 1956 he coordinated and saw through to completion the NIS Section 64 on Hungary. His contributions in the weapons and ammunition field have covered almost all areas of the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

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6. [REDACTED] has had five years of active military service in World War II and in the Korean War and presently holds the rank of Major in the Army Reserve.

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7. The possibility of his nomination has been explored with [REDACTED] and he is extremely interested in the opportunity it offers.